SENATE BILL 1831

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to grading.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-407, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

An LEA that uses the uniform grading system as required for purposes of student application for postsecondary financial assistance administered by the Tennessee student assistance corporation, but for other purposes adopts another grading system based on quality points, shall assign additional quality points in the other grading system for the completion of honors, national industry certification, statewide dual credit, Advanced Placement (AP), Cambridge, International Baccalaureate (IB), and dual enrollment courses as follows:

- (1) One-half (½) quality point shall be added to the numerical quality point value corresponding to the letter grade received for the course in an honors or national industry certification course;
- (2) Three-fourths (¾) quality point shall be added to the numerical quality point value corresponding to the letter grade received for the course in a statewide dual credit course; and
- (3) One (1) quality point shall be added to the numerical quality point value corresponding to the letter grade received in the course for an AP, Cambridge, IB, or dual enrollment course.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.